

## Cal Poly Humboldt Student Temporary Transitional Housing Program Guidelines

A goal of the Cal Poly Humboldt Strategic Plan is to demonstrate decision making that prioritizes the alignment of resources with demonstrated positive impact, growth, and diverse student needs including basic needs, safety, belonging, quality education, and career success. In an effort to ensure student support services address the needs of our students and minimize the emotional and financial stresses temporary homelessness can cause students, the Cal Poly Humboldt Basic Needs Task Force has developed a Temporary Emergency Housing Program. It is a collaboration between the Cal Poly Humboldt CARE Services Program and Cal Poly Humboldt Housing & Residence Life. The intention is to provide a short-term housing space for students who are without housing or having challenges obtaining housing and pair the student with case management to help them with the process. The Temporary Emergency Housing Program can be available for up to 21 nights in the Cal Poly Humboldt Fall and Spring semesters; and Summer semesters when possible. This program is available for matriculated Cal Poly Humboldt students experiencing a short-term housing crisis.

- The Temporary Emergency Housing Program is subject to availability and access to the program is at the discretion of Cal Poly Humboldt CARE Services and Cal Poly Humboldt Housing & Residence Life.
- Open to enrolled and matriculated Cal Poly Humboldt students.
- Cal Poly Humboldt students who qualify and are approved to utilize the Temporary Emergency Housing Program must understand and abide by all existing [rules, regulations, and policies](#) of Cal Poly Humboldt Housing & Residence Life, no exceptions.
- Any Cal Poly Humboldt student violating the rules, regulations, and/or policies of Cal Poly Humboldt Housing & Residence Life will be subject to the same conduct investigations as full-time residents.
- Participants in the program are not guaranteed a single room to accommodate other students in need of the program and there is a likelihood that students will be rooming with other students needing emergency housing. Students will be informed if that is the case.
- In the current standing of these guidelines, the Temporary Emergency Housing Program is limited to individual students. Cal Poly Humboldt is not able to accommodate families or animals.
- Emotional Support Animals (ESAs) and Service Animals will need to be verified or registered via the already established Housing & Residence Life [policy](#).
- Participants in the program will be assigned a bed space and must contain their belongings in their assigned areas. Participants are expected to keep the overall room, bathroom, and kitchen space clean to protect others' health and safety, and will be expected to clean these areas before exiting the program
- Participants in the program will be encouraged to meet and/or check-in with the Cal Poly Humboldt CARE Services Program and/or the Off Campus Housing Coordinator each week of the 21-night period to further develop a plan for improving their housing situation and to further support participants in meeting their basic needs and related accommodations.
- Upon meeting with the Cal Poly Humboldt CARE Services Program, students may qualify for

other basic needs accommodations while they are in the program.

- There is no GPA requirement.
- Upon the start and completion of the Temporary Emergency Housing Program students will be required to complete a survey of their experience.

#### Student Eligibility:

The Cal Poly Humboldt student must be currently enrolled at Cal Poly Humboldt. The student must be experiencing homelessness as defined by the California State University (CSU) 2018 [Study of Student Basic Needs](#) drawn from differing subtitles of the McKinney Vento Act. Cal Poly Humboldt students that are on housing probation or are not in good judicial standing are not eligible for the Temporary Emergency Housing Program. The student must be able to demonstrate their qualifying extenuating circumstances and is encouraged to submit supporting documentation, when available. Students are encouraged to create a housing action plan with Cal Poly Humboldt CARE Services and/or the Off-Campus Housing Coordinator.

#### Application Process:

The matriculated Cal Poly Humboldt student will contact Cal Poly Humboldt CARE Services to establish their eligibility for the Temporary Emergency Housing Program. Cal Poly Humboldt CARE Services Staff will recommend to Cal Poly Humboldt Housing & Residence Life any students to be accepted into the Temporary Emergency Housing Program. The student will sign a Housing Short Stay Emergency Housing License Application with Cal Poly Humboldt Housing & Residence Life.

Once accepted into the program, the student will be encouraged to meet and/or check in with the CARE Services Program and/or the Off-Campus Housing Coordinator each week of the 21-night period to manage their case and assist with establishing permanent housing.